

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Ted Washburn, on January 11, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152  
Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Ted Washburn, Chair (R)  
Rep. Mike Phillips, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Jeffery W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)  
Rep. Pat Connell (R)  
Rep. Virginia Court (D)  
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)  
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)  
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Cleve J. Loney (R)  
Rep. Mike Miller (R)  
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)  
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)  
Rep. Jean Price (D)  
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)  
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)  
Rep. Max Yates (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Cara Gold, Committee Secretary  
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 47, 1/6/2011; HB 98, 1/6/2011; HJ 1, 1/6/2011

00:00:05 Chairman Washburn welcomed everyone and reviewed rules of the committee.  
00:02:15 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
00:03:49 Rep. Washburn

### **HEARING ON HJ 1**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:04:22 Rep. Mike Milburn (R), HD 19, opened the hearing on HJ 1, Resolution urging federal legislation removing wolf from Endangered Species list.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:07:57 Joe Maurier, Director, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)  
**EXHIBIT(fih08a01)**

00:25:10 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association

00:27:26 Richard Grady, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih08a02)**

00:31:03 Tim Ravndal, Lewis and Clark Conservative Tea Party Group (LCCTP)

00:32:37 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

00:34:10 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:36:10 Jim Brown, Montana Wool Growers Association

**EXHIBIT(fih08a03)**

(The Montana Farmers Union asked Mr. Brown to let the committee know that they were also in support of HJ 1)

00:42:22 George Edwards, Livestock Loss Reduction and Mitigation Board (LLRMB)

00:43:02 Jay Bodner, Stockgrowers Association

00:46:13 Mike Gilles, LCCTP

00:46:35 Jeff Tiberi, Montana Association of Conservation Districts

00:47:25 J.D. Cass, Self

00:50:05 Ariel Overstreet, Montana Cattle Women

00:50:33 Carol Lambert, Montana Women Involved in Foreign Economics (WIFE)

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

00:51:37 Marc Cook, Wolf Warriors

**Informational Testimony:** None.

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:53:15 Rep. Peterson

00:53:35 Joe Maurier

00:54:18 Rep. Peterson

00:54:46	Joe Maurier
00:55:03	Rep. Peterson
00:55:25	Joe Maurier
00:56:11	Rep. Wilmer
00:56:37	Joe Maurier
00:59:14	Rep. Wilmer
00:59:47	Joe Maurier
01:01:30	Rep. Flynn
01:02:01	Mr. Cook
01:02:17	Rep. Loney
01:02:34	Rep. Maurier
01:04:19	Rep. Harris
01:04:39	Joe Maurier
01:04:49	Rep. Skattum
01:05:12	Joe Maurier
01:06:20	Rep. Skattum
01:06:34	Joe Maurier
01:07:30	Rep. Skattum
01:07:45	Joe Maurier
01:08:33	Rep. Phillips
01:09:07	Joe Maurier
01:09:39	Rep. Phillips
01:09:55	Joe Maurier
01:10:07	Mr. Phillips
01:10:48	Joe maurier
01:10:57	Rep. Phillips
01:11:03	Rep. Washburn
01:11:12	Rep. Phillips
01:11:21	Joe Maurier
01:11:35	Rep. Phillips
01:12:10	Rep. Milburn
01:12:30	Rep. Phillips
01:12:43	Rep. Milburn
01:13:37	Rep. Connell
01:14:21	Joe Maurier

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:15:09	Rep. Milburn
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**HEARING ON HB 47**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:17:48 Rep. Ken Peterson (R), HD 46, opened the hearing on HB 47, Authorize first Saturday of June as "free" fishing day.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:19:45 Joe Maurier, Director, FWP

**EXHIBIT(fih08a04)**

01:20:44 Mark Aagenes, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU)

01:21:21 Robin Cunningham, Fishing Outfitters Association of Montana (FOAM)

01:21:46 Ben Lamb, MWF

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:22:49 Rep. Peterson

**HEARING ON HB 98**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:32:49 Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R), HD 72, opened the hearing on HB 98, Direct proceeds from sale of state parks; deposit in state parks spec. rev. fund.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:34:51 Charles Van Genderen, FWP

**EXHIBIT(fih08a05)**

01:37:03 Bob Walker, Our Montana

01:38:34 Ben Lamb, MWF

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:39:37 Rep. Kennedy

01:39:46 Charles Van Genderen

01:40:24 Rep. Washburn  
01:40:32 Charles Van Genderen  
01:41:01 Rep. Washburn  
01:41:08 Charles Van Genderen  
01:41:13 Rep. Harris  
01:41:41 Charles Van Genderen  
01:42:17 Rep. Harris  
01:42:29 Charles Van Genderen  
01:42:57 Rep. Peterson  
01:43:11 Charles Van Genderen  
01:43:21 Rep. Peterson  
01:43:36 Charles Van Genderen  
01:44:15 Rep. Flynn  
01:44:31 Charles Van Genderen

**Informational Testimony:**

01:45:15 Joe Maurier, FWP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:46:21 Rep. Welborn

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:47:14      Adjournment:

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Cara Gold, Secretary

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**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS**

[EXHIBIT\(fih08a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih08a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih08a08\)](#)

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([fih08aad.pdf](#))